

American Force Now on Guard at Five Cuban Points

Keeps Order, but Gives No
Sign of Plan for
Intervention

Rebel Army Still Intact

Fernandez Has More Than
3,000 Men, Awaits At-
tack by Federals

Santiago, Cuba, March 12.—From his base at Guantanamo, Admiral Henry T. Mayo, commander of the United States Atlantic fleet, received reports to-day from five Cuban shore stations where American forces have been landed. From none of them, however, came any evidence that the putting ashore of the Americans was the beginning of intervention.

Five hundred marines and bluejackets are in Santiago patrolling the city, while smaller detachments are doing similar duty in Guantanamo, Manzanillo, Nuevitas and at the El Combe Mine, a few miles from Santiago.

The government advance forces, commanded by Pablo and Fausto Menocal, brothers of President Menocal, arrived to-day at San Luis, which was evacuated yesterday by General Comacho, after brief fighting, in which there were a few casualties.

Major General Puerto Fernandez, with his forces, is at Songo, southeast of San Luis, about twenty miles north of Santiago. The Menocal brothers said they would await reinforcements before advancing further. They have about 5,000 men, while Fernandez commands between 3,000 and 4,000.

Banks Remain Closed.

The banks here remain closed, under orders from their main offices. Most of the funds have been withdrawn by depositors, and all the government funds, something in the excess of \$800,000, have been taken by the rebels.

Santiago ceased to be a closed city yesterday. The Cuban gunboat Matanzas, which had been at the mouth of the harbor for two days, left this morning for Guantanamo. She had not been permitted to enter Santiago by Commander Reginald R. Belknap, commanding the American forces, who has the mine layer San Francisco and the cruiser Olympia in the inner harbor.

In a circular received to-day, addressed by President Menocal to P. Merrill Griffith, the American Consul at Santiago, it was asserted that an election would be held in Oriente Province in less than a month. All troops were in possession of Santiago.

The Residents of Santiago.

The residents of Santiago have known little of the conditions in the other parts of the island since February 12, as they have been isolated during this period. Between here and Camaguey all business of the Cuban Railroad has been destroyed. Estimates of the sugar cane burned by the rebels vary widely, but apparently no grinding machinery has been destroyed. In the city of Santiago there has been no damage.

Apparently there is no resentment against the presence of the American guard in Santiago. Even the local police were invited to continue their duty, the Americans making it clear that they were in the city merely to

preserve order and protect foreign lives and property.

Guillermo Menocal, candidate for Governor on the Menocal ticket; Colonel Alfredo Lora, President of the Provincial Council, and Ramon Ruiz, postmaster, had been imprisoned by the Liberals. They were released through the influence of the Americans. The Conservatives, encouraged by their appearance, crowded about until they assumed a moblike appearance, causing Consul Griffith to suggest their temporary retirement or imprisonment.

The headquarters of the Americans are opposite the consulate. Two by two sentries patrol the streets, and a few pieces of light artillery have been placed at the outposts at the city limits. Lieutenant L. F. Kimball, of the San Francisco, is in command.

**\$50,000 in Jewelry
Stolen from Station**

**Trunk Shipped by Maiden
Lane Firm Looted by
Thieves in Boston**

Boston, March 12.—The theft of a trunk containing \$50,000 worth of jewelry consigned by David Ullman & Co., of 80 Maiden Lane, New York, from five Cuban shore stations where American forces have been landed. From none of them, however, came any evidence that the putting ashore of the Americans was the beginning of intervention.

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Carley ran to a fire alarm box at sight of the wisps of smoke that drifted from the window. Dalton paused before entering the house to shout encouragement to the girl. They dashed into the elevator together. Snatching an axe from the wall, they attacked the door of Mrs. D. Harvey Middleton's apartment on the fourth floor.

On the street others were shouting to the slight figure cowering in the window frame that now glowed red. The shriek of a hook and ladder siren sounded in the distance. The girl bent lower as flames licked about her. She beat at her hair and nightgown, and the glass she saw that both were ablaze.

As the door yielded to the assault of the chauffeurs, the girl let herself down from the sill and hung by her fingers, dangling above the street. Her fingers were still visible in the gap that opened through the smoke when Carley and Dalton burst through the shattered panel.

Before they could reach the window the clutching fingers vanished. The girl dropped straight down the side of the building, more than fifty feet below. She was Camille Piedmont, Mrs. Middleton's maid, twenty-three years old. She was taken, dying, to Polyclinic Hospital.

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Fire Record

A M—S Washington, March 12.—A disturbance that developed over the Southwest is central to night over Western Texas, and with a marked high area to the northwest and northeast, is causing general snow and rains in the plains states and the great central valley. Another disturbance is also approaching the northern Pacific coast, and rains are falling in that vicinity. The disturbance that was over New York Sunday night has moved off the coast, with clearing weather and rains of snows during the day, and the eastern upper lake region. There were also some thunderstorms in the Great Lakes and the eastern upper lake region. The winds were still high winds with set in over the entire water.

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There will be snow and rain on Tuesday and Wednesday, but the weather in the Great Lakes and in the middle Atlantic states and New England fair weather. Tuesday will be followed by Wednesday.

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